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Priority Initiatives

Property Taxes Reimagined

Description
Strategies 1.1, 1.2, 1.3, 1.4
Conduct public and government relations campaigns on municipal finances and property taxes and conduct further research and advocacy on the mix of municipal revenue tools and provincial property taxes.

Related Resolutions: Property Taxes Reimagined

#	Resolution Information
'25 B1	Removal of the Provincial Property Tax from the Municipal Tax Bill
'25 B2	Municipal Accommodation Tax Implementation in Alberta
'24 B3	Provincial Education Property Tax Reform
'24 B4	Restoring Provincial Grants in Place of Taxes (GIPOT) Funding
'23 E2	Adequate Level of Provincial Funding for Community Infrastructure
'23 B13	Provincial Funding for Growing Municipalities
'23 B14	Provincial Lending Rates to Municipalities

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Inter- Municipal Collaboration Rules and Resources

Description
Strategies 1.1, 1.2, 1.3, 1.4
Advocacy and capacity building initiatives on financial related matters regarding the new legislative rules for intermunicipal collaboration frameworks (ICFs).
(In collaboration with the Municipal Governance Committee)

Related Resolutions: Intermunicipal Collaboration Rules and Resources

#	Resolution Information
'23 B12	Inclusion of Libraries in Intermunicipal Collaboration Frameworks

Increasing Housing Supply

Description
Strategies 1.1, 1.3
Explore opportunities to increase the supply and diversity of housing stock supply including:
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Advocacy for policies and initiatives to attract and retain skilled trades workers.• Solutions to attract developers and builders to develop housing in small and remote communities.• Continued involvement in enabling growth and housing affordability engagement, including the future of offsite levies.
(In collaboration with the Infrastructure and Environment Committee)

Related Resolutions: Housing Supply

While related to our Housing Supply initiative, the following resolutions are overseen by ABmunis' Infrastructure and Environment Committee:

- 2025 B7 - [Enhancing Housing Opportunities and Affordability Across Alberta](#)

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Viability of Small Communities

Description
Strategies 1.1, 1.2, 1.3, 1.4
Analysis and advocacy related to review of the province's Municipal Sustainability Strategy including: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Municipal measurement indicators• The viability review process• Related capacity building tools

Related Resolutions: Viability of Small Communities

While ABmunis' members have passed several resolutions that indirectly relate to the viability of small communities, there are no active resolutions related to the province's Municipal Sustainability Strategy or processes or tools related to evaluating the viability of a municipality. The resolutions that indirectly relate to viability are listed under other priority initiatives in the Finance and Economy Committee's portfolio and the portfolios of other ABmunis committees.

Grant Advisory Services

Description
Strategies 1.1, 1.2, 1.3, 1.4
Since 2023, ABmunis has partnered with Alberta Business Grants to provide grant advisory services to members, including newsletters, webinars and a grant database. This project has been funded through a grant from Alberta Agriculture and Irrigation, which expires in 2026.

Related Resolutions: Grant Advisory Services

None

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Property Assessment Model Review

Description	Status and Progress of the Priority Initiative
<p>Strategies 1.2, 1.3, 1.4</p> <p>Advocacy related to the review of assessment models for regulated assessment property.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Between September 2024 and April 2025, a technical working group involving industry, municipalities, and assessors met as part of Municipal Affairs' assessment model review to explore opportunities to improve the Construction Cost Reporting Guide. There was a lack of consensus and opposing positions were presented to the Minister in April 2025. A decision by Cabinet is expected soon and then the technical working group will begin the next phase of the review. ABmunis will continue to collaborate with the other municipal associations in the project.

Related Resolutions: Property Assessment Model Review

None

External Committees

ABmunis has a representative on the following external committees that reports to the Finance and Economy Committee.

ABmunis' Strategic Priority	External Committee Name	Description	ABmunis' Representative
Property Taxes Reimagined	n/a		
Intermunicipal Collaboration Rules and Resources	n/a		
Housing Supply	n/a		
Viability of Small Communities	Viability Review Support Group: Village of Carbon	Provides input on the viability of the municipality through an evaluation of governance, finances, infrastructure, services, and options for long-term viability.	To be assigned
	Viability Review Support Group: Village of Cremona		To be assigned
	Viability Review Support Group: Village of Donalda		To be assigned
Grant Advisory Services	n/a		Jeff Henwood, Senior Director, Policy and Advocacy
Property Assessment Model Review	Assessment Model Review Steering Committee	The Steering Committee started in 2024 and consists of representatives from municipal associations, assessor organizations, and industry and is tasked	Darren Reedy, Director, Policy & Advocacy, ABmunis

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		with overseeing the engagement process and for making recommendations to the Minister of Municipal Affairs.	
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Other Resolutions Under the Committee’s Portfolio

Priority level to be assigned

#	Resolution Information
'25 C3	Increasing Funding for Alberta’s Libraries
'25 C6	Canada Consumer Carbon Tax Program (Rebates or Exemptions for Municipalities)
'25 C8	Reducing Barriers to Post-Secondary Education for All Alberta Students

Medium Priority Resolutions

#	Resolution Information
'24 B5	Small and Remote Municipalities Need Regional Economic Development Alliances (REDAs) to Thrive
'23 B16	Provincial Support for Downtowns, Business Districts and Mainstreets
'23 C6	Capital Budget Disclosures Negatively Impacting Procurement Processes

Low Priority Resolutions

#	Resolution Information
'23 C7	Trade Agreement Impacts on Municipal Procurement Processes